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MEMBERSHIP CONTEST SCOREBOARD

WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS TO NSCA !! The name in (parens) receives contest credit.. Remember that a large membership trophy will will be presented to the person who signs the most new members by the date of the Spring 1980 meeting... Too, a free copy of the Edkins' book to each member signing FIVE new members during the year...

Additional membership contest info will follow in later bulletins... Too, remember that the balance of 1979 is FREE for all new members... Any member signed now would be paid up until Dec. 31, 1980...

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What with NSCA now enlarged to include all mining and manufacturing operations that used the company store concept, you should have unlimited chances to sign scores of your collector friends !!

Too, do not fail to send in the SURVEY FORM which is printed on the back of the Bid Sheet in this issue !! From this form information on your collecting interests will be included in the new membership roster which will be coming out soon !!

Too, this information will give us an indication as to what type of material to include in future issues of the bulletin!! For example, if it is noted that no member has an interest in silver mining tokens, why feature an article on them? So.. let us know what you collect on the form...

To the left is an application blank for your use in signing that new member !! The more members we have, the better the organization and... the better the demand for the tokens that you collect !!!

NATIONAL SCRIP COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Mail to: Walter Caldwell, Secretary
P. O. Box 29
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Name: .....

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Bill Williams

I made an appeal in my first column for each of you to tell me what NSCA should be doing for you! My sincere thanks to those who have responded. However, I need comments from many more members before making any plans. So, please, please let me have your thoughts and comments. Send them to me at P. O. Box 3015, Oak Ridge, Tenn. 37830

The first Sunday in June each year I return to New Willard, Texas, the sawmill town where I was raised, to attend the annual Homecoming of those who worked for Texas Long Leaf Lumber Co. during the almost 50 years the mill operated. Although the mill and most of the houses have been gone 20 years and the old townsite has been planted in pine trees for pulpwood use, a large number of people return (over 200 this year) for the opportunity to renew acquaintances and talk about the good old times (which really did not seem all that good when we were living there). This type of event is quite prevalent in sawmill towns in East Texas, but I wonder if the same thing occurs in company owned towns elsewhere in the lumber, coal or other industries. Does anyone have any first hand information about town hamecomings?

On my way to Texas and back, I made a special effort to visit or talk on the phone with NSCA members in Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Tennessee (west of Oak Ridge). My purposes were three-fold: (1) To talk about NSCA plans for the next year; (2) To obtain comments, suggestions and observations; and (3) To trade or buy scrip for their collection and mine. I was well pleased with the results of all three.

In Birmingham I visited with Sterling Walls and Roy Wood. Traded a few pieces and got some real good comments. Both plan to attend the Fall meeting. Also talked on the phone with Crawford Badham, Dr. Patton Bradford, and Arthur Dunning.

Montgomery was the next stop where I visited with Cindy and Bob Grellman, and talked on the phone with Jim Millard in Selma. Cindy has signed several new members in the Montgomery area, but I was not able to make contact with any of them. I will make a special effort to see them later, as well as those in northern Alabama who I missed.

From there I visited with Louis Crawford in Long Beach, Miss. Louis has been a collector of Mississippi and Louisiana tokens for many years, and has a fantastic supply of lumber company tokens. With his help I really enlarged my collection of these two states. I hope Louis will share his knowledge with us in the form of articles for SCRIP TALK.

In Alexandria, La., I visited with Dee D. Drell. His collecting interest is transit and tax tokens. Said he joined NSCA for informational purposes and would like to see articles on New Finds, Maverick Identification, etc. Dee has me over the barrel. I got 43 pieces of scrip from him and he would not take money. I have to find him equivalent value in transit tokens. HELP, somebody!

The next day I went to Beaumont, Texas and spent three hours visiting with Jim Ruhland. Jim collects "work related tokens" and tokens with the word "saloon". His collection includes a number of rare Texas lumber pieces. Signed him as a new member of NSCA.

That evening I visited with Lindsey S. Lee, a new member who joined this year. His primary interest is Texas tokens but he does take some coal pieces. He would be interested in articles from the older members telling how they record and display their collection. Also suggested other articles designed to be helpful to the new collector.

On May 19, I attended a meeting of the Texas Trade Token Collectors at John Ribbe's house in College Station, Texas. Of the 13 attending, seven were NSCA members: John Byars and Richard Worthington from Houston; Robert Fleet from Tyler; Bill Fowler of Austin; Russ Paul from Crockett; Jim Ruhland from Vidor and Leo Warren from San Antonio. This was a very enjoyable meeting. I met some real nice people, obtained some Texas lumber tokens and contacted very NSCA member in Texas. Really saved me alot of miles driving, thanks to John Ribbe.

While in Texas I visited a nonmember in Grand Prarie who has over 1000 recreation, amusement and pool hall tokens from Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado. More than 10 cities but a lot of duplicates. He wants to sell all if any one is interested. I have the address. I also visited another nonmember in Marshall, Texas who has some Texas lumber tokens. He won't sell but will trade for other Texas tokens. Could not sell a membership to either of them, but will keep trying.

Visited with Leo Cole in Ft. Smith, Ark. Traded quite a few pieces with him. Leo introduced me to David Hanson who operates a Coin and Pawn Shop. David is from Dunbar, W.Va. and has gotten interested in coal scrip by going to flea markets during visits to his family. He has several good pieces. I spent a couple of hours helping him indentify and classify his tokens. He signed up as a new member of NSCA.

Went to Ozone, Ark to visit with Col. Bill Murray who I had met at the last Corbin meeting. He sends his regards to his friends. I asked Bill to prepare a couple of articles for me. Hope he will.

In Pine Bluff, Ark. I visited with Tom Robinson. His specialty is Arkansas tokens, and he is working on a cataloging activity. I am trying to get Tom to get the Arksansas collectors together for a meeting and to get some new collectors. Also asked him to do an article or two.

While in Nashville, Tenn. I visited with Dave Mullins and Paul Dillingham. Both are recognized authorities in Tennessee tokens. Paul promised to do an article for me. As a result of a suggestion made by Dave, we are making plans to hold a mini-meeting of the Ga., Ala., and Tenn. collectors in Chattanooga on Sept. 22, in conjunction with the fall meeting of the Tenn. State Numismatic Society's coin show.

My last stop was a visit with Fred Stanfield in Cleveland, Tenn. His company recently transferred him from Florida where he had been very active in the Fla. Trade Token group. Since coming to Tenn., he has started a Tenn. collection and I was able to sell him a NSCA membership. I also added a large number of Florida lumber tokens to my collection.

Without a single exception, every member I contacted was enthusiastic about the expanded scope of NSCA, and expressed a desire to see more articles on a variety of mining and manufacturing companies.

After I got back home, my collector friend and associate, R.R. Tippy, told me that he had tentative plans for another mini-meeting in Madisonville, Ky. on July 29. This will enable us to contact the western Kentucky and Souther Illinois members. If gas does not get too tight, I will [illegible] other members in the months to come. Also if you want a club visit, let me know!!

SCRIP TALK is pleased to present a resume of the panel discussion held at Hawk's Nest in regard to the Second Edition of the Catalog on Coal Scrip. Participating were the author, Don Edkins of Mass. and R. R. Tippy, of the book committee of NSCA from Tennessee..

How can we get proof that a company store was associated with a coal company - This is generally obtained from federal publication of mine reports issued annually. A part of the questionnaire that a mine was supposed to complete requested info on an associated mine supply or company store. Not all mines gave this info, however.

What about the stores listed in the first edition? All they all company stores? Many of the listed stores in the first edition came from our own group of collectors and although we can be sure they all sold something to the miners, we are not at all sure that the mine either owned the store or was associated with the store through a contract. I think that it is going to be up to the Catalog Committee to set up a set of rules which will insure that only coal associated stores are listed. The proof will have to come from the owner of the scrip with appropriate reference that can be verified.

I have a token that reads "Logan" however the book lists "Stollings" for example. What about this? There are many listings in the book index for scrip such as this. Actually the mine office is on the scrip and the book shows the location of the actual mine location. We even have scrip with a location in Maryland but again this was the Home Office of the company so the scrip will be listed in West Virginia where the mining operation was located.

What about the problem of white metal or nickel plated. Which is it for book purposes? The only proof is a piece that actually shows the plating even though it is almost worn off. Once a piece is located which shows the plating then all other pieces of the same denomination and die type (both obverse and reverse) will be called Np (nickel-plated) in the book even though they appear to be brass or copper. If a piece is uncirculated it is very difficult to distinguish between a piece made of nickel and a piece that has been plated. Here again we must see a partially plated piece and the uncirculated piece that appears to be nickel is identical to the plated piece in die type then the uncirculated speciman has got to be plated. Early Ingle pieces were nickel "washed" and this wears off rapidly, whereas an electroplated piece will show the plating for a very long time.

On new pieces for listing, will you accept rubbings or foils instead of the actual piece being sent to you? I certainly prefer to see the actual piece, however, in unusual circumstances, rubbings are second best to foils. It is hard to get a "mm" reading from a rubbing and impossible from a Xerox copy. Even a foil is not 100% accurate but since I measure each piece from the actual piece of scrip and mark it on the holder, there is little chance for error. Not many collectors pay much attention to the "mm" reading anyhow but it helps if the two pieces are listed with each having a different measurement even though both are of the same denomination and catalogue description.

What about the "solid pieces are know" - ones that missed getting the punch mark? I do not list such pieces as very few of them are "errors as made". An "error as made" would be a piece that got into circulation through the normal channels of the

company store. Most of the pieces I have seen came from the "MINT" and were sample pieces that just were not put through the "cut-out" procedure. They are not true varieties and I do not want to enhance their value by giving them catalog status. It is true they are rare in comparsion to the pieces received by the store but they have a "sample" status and not a true piece of scrip status. I could set up a "sample" category in a revised edition, however, I wonder if it is worth doing as this would create a category that shouldn't exist.

Please discuss the "Orco 2" type with the word "office" deleted. This happens quite often when the die cutter didn't have enough room to complete the entire "Reg U.S. Pat. Off." Once such a reverse die has been made up like this, every piece struck will show the variance. Since I describe this legend in the catalog description any piece that shows more than the catalog shows is from a new die and should be listed separately as it was made at a different time. A reverse die is used until it breaks and then a new die is made up so if a die broke during a run, there would be an additional listing for the new die that replaced the old one.

What about "counter-stamped" pieces in the catalog? The catalog only shows the pieces that were counterstamped in complete sets as there is an excellent chance that these might have been used at a different store of the same coal company. Occasional counterstamps are not listed separately as these could be made by anyone and not necessarily by the company. Until someone can prove that the counterstamp was authorized by the company and give an authentic reason for the counterstamping, I do not feel they should be given a separate catalog listing thus creating two varieties. Several collectors have commented that they are "auditor" counterstamps but I have yet to find out why an auditor would go to all that bother and for what reason.

How does paper scrip enter into the catalog picture? I don't plan to include paper in the catalog. This field needs much more attention and study and I do not know of many dedicated collectors of paper. I do feel that collectors should include paper to have a complete collection, however.

Since the first edition, how many new finds have you catalogued? Approximately 2,600 new listings have been personally checked to this point. I estimate that there will be approximately 5,000 when the entire NSCA membership sends in their items that were not listed in the first edition. I have screened the collections of R. R. Tippy, Paul Jensen and Walter Caldwell. I am presently working on the Bob Craigo items and will be wanting to have YOUR items shortly.

I have several items not listed in the book. What should I do? Let me have a letter from you giving the approximate number of items and I will advise you as to when and how to ship to me. I want to see not only new companies and new locations but also denominations of companies and locations where we presently have only a partial listing in the first edition of the catalog. My mailing address is: DON EDKINS, 488 SECOND STREET, FRAMINGHAM, MASS. 01701.

REMEMBER: A copy of the Edkins Catalog will be given to each NSCA member who signs up five new members during the next twelve months !! At the Hawk's Nest meeting, one member reported that he had signed up several of his coin club friends and then donated his copy of the book to the

Dr. David Orahood - Scriptor

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Loded with history

Collection contains flickers of the past

By BILL OSINSKI
Courier-Journal Staff Writer

OWENSBORO, Ky. — The old-time mining company store probably will never rise again, but anybody who saved his flickers — the pieces of loose change that chained a century of miners to the company store — is in the chips.

Flickers, or coin scrip, formed the basis of an often-bitter trade at coal-company stores. None of those stores are left now, and a flicker will only get a snicker at a supermarket checkout counter.

To people who collect things, though, the base-metal tokens are nearly as good as gold today. Rare flickers, which wouldn't have bought a loaf of bread at the company store, bring $125 and more on the current collectibles market.

They come in as many shapes and designs as the more than 20,000 mining operations that issued them. Some are elaborately minted with designs of coal cars, mining caps and royal profiles; and many are punched with holes in the shape of hearts, horses or diamonds.

But the man who may have more flickers than anyone else — Dr. David Orahood, an Owensboro pathologist — says the coins are as valuable for the stories they tell as for their monetary value.

Orahood, who was raised in the West Virginia coal country and started his flicker collection in the Western Kentucky coalfields, said "They are memories of a past I grew up in. I loved it, but I didn't understand it."

He has spent about eight years scouring the coal country around Muhlenberg County, seeking the old coins from old miners, widows and executors, and then several more years trading, advertising for flickers in coin magazines and journals such as "The West Virginia Hillbilly."

Each flicker in his collection, which includes coins from 1,000 different company stores, is documented with details of the sale or trade by which Orahood obtained it and information about the mine it came from.

His passion is hardly a solitary one. Orahood is a charter member of the National Scrip Collectors Association, a nationwide organization of 400 flicker fans. After years of involvement with this group, he said, he believes his collection is the country's largest.

Orahood keeps no counting room for his flickers — the really valuable ones are in a bank vault. Rather, he tinkers with his piles of coins electronically. A computer terminal and display screen in his home allow him to store every scrap of information he has on his flickers and recall it instantly.

Besides providing a handy inventory, the computer project will help him organize the history that can be gleaned from the coins.

His research has shown that, like each flicker, the story of the coal-mining era it represents has two sides.

"I started off with a prejudice against the rich coal barons," Orahood said.

And finding stories to reinforce that prejudice wasn't difficult, he said.

Abuses happened; the more unscrupulous mine operators allowed miners to become hopelessly in debt through the company store, he said. Miners were given scrip in lieu of cash wages in many cases, and the company stores where the scrip was most readily accepted usually charged inflated prices. When a miner went to a store outside the mining camp, his scrip was discounted by 20 to 50 percent.

It was not unheard of, Orahood said, for a man who wanted to work in the mines to be required to assume the debt of a dead miner. In other cases, he said, a debt left behind by a miner was spread out among the other miners.

As bad as some of the abuses were, Orahood said, the scrip did serve a purpose.

Because the price of coal dropped steadily from sometime in the early 1920s on, he said, many of the mines simply didn't have the cash to meet their payroll; so it was issue scrip or skip payday altogether.

In the Depression, when any form of money was scarce, the flickers circulated in the communities outside the mines, at least helping to keep some form of commerce in operation, he said.

A stereotype that does not hold up altogether under the light of Orahood's research is that of the oppression from the absentee mine owner. While such cases may have occurred or even been common in parts of the Appalachians, he said, it was not the norm in Western Kentucky.

Owners there, he said, were certainly comfortable, but most of them lived near the fields they mined.

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Staff Photo by Bill Osinski

Dr. David Orahood uses a computer to catalog his coins and accompanying data. Orahood has collected flickers, or coin scrip, from more than 1,000 coal-company stores.

Also, the mines were startlingly similar, he said. Most of them mined at about the same rate and employed about the same number of people.

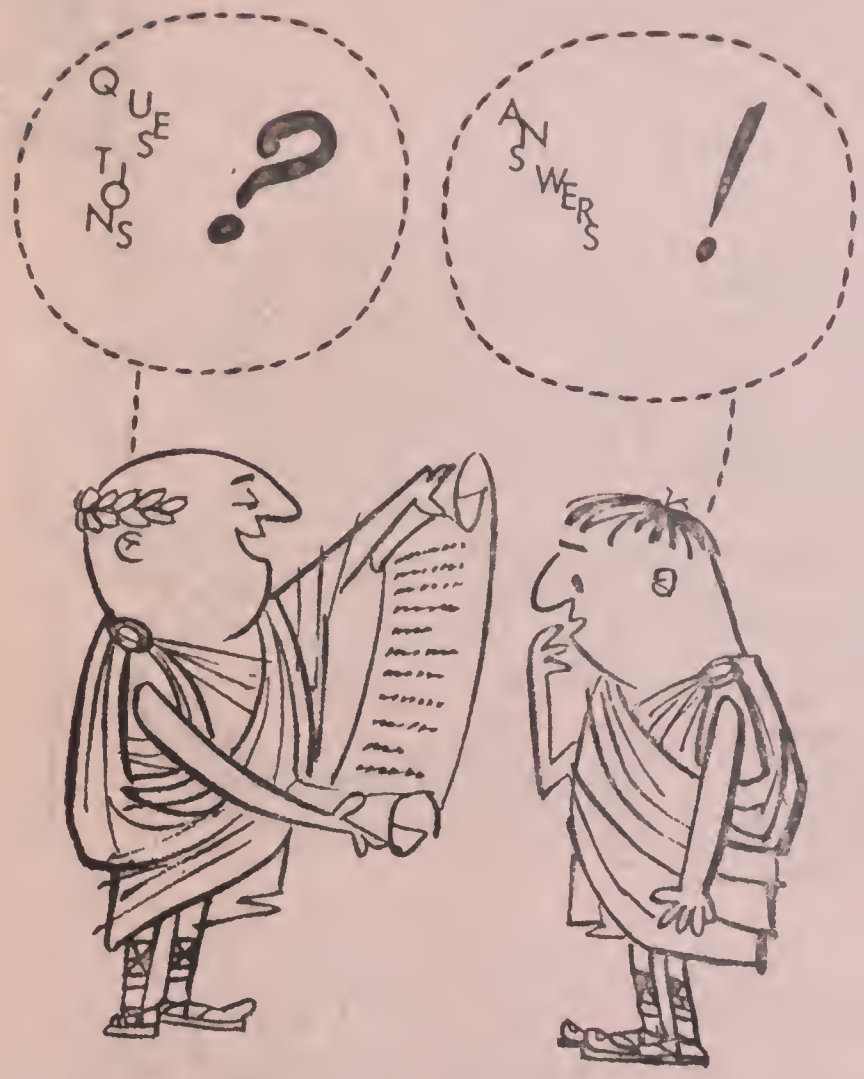
There were more than 20,000 of these proprietary, or family-operated, mines in operation at the peak of the coal era. The use of flickers at these mines flickered out just before the mines did.

In 1940, the Kentucky General Assembly passed a law forbidding the payment of wages in scrip. That law was the result of a court case brought by a Muhlenberg County merchant who was angered when a coal company would not redeem its flickers at face value.

Many of the flickers, no longer legal, were discarded and by 1958, the proprietary mine was also a part of history.

Orahood started picking up the relics of those mines in the years that followed. He said he was sometimes allowed to enter the safes of abandoned country stores and clean out the flickers for about a dime apiece.

His biggest find came when a Central City banker found six bags of flickers in the back of his vault and sold them to Orahood.



ALL MAIL FOR THIS DEPARTMENT TO:

TOM HITT, BOX 970, DEFIANCE, OH 43512

For my first column in "Scrip Talk", let me introduce myself. I am a W.Va. trade and lumber token collector. Among other things, I attempt to attribute maverick ICS and ISO9 and IS14 tokens. I use R. G. Dunn, Bradstreet, old gazetteers, and old telephone directories. Usually word of mouth and correspondence is not enough to verify a location, but these sources really help to get leads that will eventually nail down a location. I will try to help all collectors that are interested enough to write me about any token or medal that is covered by NSCA.

Q: Can you tell me anything about the mavericks listed in Edkins' book? Have any been attributed since publication?

A: I have no official answer from the book committee, but I am sending a letter to Don Edkins. I have done some work on these but none of it has been published as yet. Here's some of my findings to this point:

(a) Maverick #10 -- Domestic Coke Corporation/Fairmont Plant///Good for/5¢/in merchandise. I have located a listing in my 1922 R. G. Dunn - "Domestic Coke Corp."- Mfg. of coke and by-products, Fairmont, W.Va.

(b) Maverick #22 -- The Chapman Coal Co., Grace Mine. I need some help from some knowledgeable coal collector in Ohio to really nail this piece. I have a couple of nice leads - 1. The Chapman Coal Co., Jackson, Ohio (from a 1914 Ohio Bradstreet) and 2. The Chapman Mining Co., Brunson Bldg., Columbus, Ohio - a wholesale coal company (1910 Columbus telephone directory). I assume that the headquarters was in Columbus and that the mine (Grace mine) was located in or near Jackson (Jackson County) Ohio. So, if Lipscomb, Seipelt, Doss or you other Ohio collectors can locate the Grace mine site, another maverick will bite the dust.

(c) Maverick #24 -- Wheeling Steel Corp'n Portsmouth Wks. Following is from the "West Virginia Encylopedia" ..."...Corporated July 1, 1920, as the result of the merging of the LaBelle Iron Works (Portsmouth, Ohio), Whittaker-Glassmer Co., Wheeling Steel and Iron Co., and subsidaries of other companies. Wheeling Steel Corp. manufactured iron and steel-sheet iron, tin plate, pipe, wire products, etc. It had fifteen plants (1929), ore and coal mines, located in W.Va. and other states, that had a total value of $100,000,000. and employed 17,500. (Some parts deleted as it didn't pertain to subject). The gist is that the LaBelle Iron Works in Portsmouth used the token while part of the Wheeling Steel Corp. Now... is it Ohio or West Virginia ?

SPOTLIGHT ON
TOKENS II

A NEW FEATURE
FOR "SCRIP TALK"

Gordon Dodrill
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1912 PANTHER COAL CO., Panther, W.Va. - McDowell County.
This is really a 1913 token as Wm. Leckie opened the mine in 1913 with 50 employees, although the average number of miners was 125 from 1913 until 1933, when the mine was "worked out." J. H. Pillis was the store manager and the company store was the Lathrop Supply Co. from 1922 until 1926.

WALLINS CREEK COAL CO., INC., Wallins, Ky. - Harlan County.
F.W. Wood of Louisville, Ky. opened the Wallins mine in 1912 and in 1914 he opened the Harlan mine, also in Harlan County.
400 employees worked the two mines and C.C. Bowling, Fred Bowling and Lee Bowling managed the three company stores at Wallins Creek, Black Joe and Harlan. All properties were sold in 1920 to Wallins Creek Collieries.

HAL C. COWAN, Coalvale, Kansas - Crawford County.
was the company store for the ABBOTT COAL CO. in 1911 only, the year this company started with 125 employees. The following year 1912, Doubleday Coal Co. purchased all coal company holdings. Cowan's tokens are beautiful aluminum oval pieces.

!!! FREE ADS FOR NSCA MEMBERS !!!

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Closes 10 days after receipt of current issue of SCRIP TALK. Limited to 4 lines of typing, including name and address (about 30 words). May be edited as space permits. Not responsible for errors. Any form of Exonumia can be included.

I NEED W.Va Scrip 83 A5, A10, 717 C5a,C25, 1137 A5,C1, 1527 B1a, B1b, 2211 C1, C10, C50 and many more! Have nice traders, different states. Send for trade list.
Cindy Grellman - 308 Janice St., Prattville,Ala. 36067

WANTED: Georgia trade tokens and shell cards,R.M Rose Company Exonumia, Stone Mountain Memorabilia and Georgia Exposition medals and tokens. Will buy or trade. Write R.W. Colbert, 4156 Livsey Rd, Tucker, Georgia 30084

CALDWELL'S Coal Co. Scrip wanted. We'll pay $10 for a decent specimen! Will pay $100 for a Michigan Coal Mine Co. token!
Paul A. Cunningham, Box 1, Tecumseh, Mich. 49286

W.VA. SCRIP Wanted - 361A1, 1151E1, 209711, 15, 110,1747K1, 1445B1, 505E100a or E100b, 3067A1 and A5.
Paul Mace, 17916 Delavan, Cleveland, Ohio 44119

WANTED: Coal and Lumber Scrip and all other tokens from North Carolina and other states. Highest prices paid, or will trade. Charles E.Kirtley, P.O.Box 259, Marble, N.C. 28905

FOR SALE: Hundreds Singles & sets coal scrip Kentucky and other. Send 50¢(refundable 1st order)plus 30¢ postage for my listing. Send your want list. James R. Cooper, 2713 Cumberland Ave., Middlesboro, Ky. 40965

1909 & 1914 Ingle System mavericks wanted! Ship (no duplicates) for payment -75¢-$1.50 depending on condition, denomination. Will still pay record Illinois coal price for Mt Vernon Miller & Denny piece! Joe Schmidt,Box 471,Bensenville,Ill 60106

WANTED: Colo.1241B5,B10,C5,C10,C25;Kansas 2245A10, 2529A50; Wash. 471B25, 2813A5, A25, 2813B5, B25, C5, C50 and any scrip from Wyoming. Will trade for or buy any of the above.
Richard D.Coy, 374 Lawnview Dr.,Morgantown,W.Va. 26505

WILLIGES has paid cash for 10,971 tokens & medals this year. Many more collections and accumulations needed. Free 20 page exonumia price list . New every two months.
Williges, Box 445, Wheatland, California 95692

SALE OR TRADE: Glen Alden Coal Co. - 2 different stock certificates with fine old mining scene, plus scrip certificate.All three for $7.00 or trade for coal stock cert. or paper scrip.
Tip Tippy, 102½ Meadow Road, Oak Ridge, Tenn 37830

WANTED: West Virginia Coal scrip 1¢ only. None to trade. Just started collecting. Let me know your extras and price.
G. Ernest Skaggs, P.O.Box 502, White Sulphur,W.Va. 24986

4 Pc Set West Frankfort Merc. Co. 25/50/$1/$5, Orient Ill., and 4 Pc set West Frankfort Merc Co, W. Frankfort, 10/25/50/$1. Regular price: $9.85 & 8.95. Both sets now only $10.00.Offer limited. I.J. Senturia,P.O.Box 205,West Frankfort,Ill.62896.

SIPSEY VALLEY Lumber Co.,Buhl, Ala. G/F 5¢ & 10¢ IT -R.Br. Aiken Merc. Co., Aikn, Ill. G/F 10¢ IM - R.Brass. Trade for Fla., Tenn, Ga., Miss. or La. tokens. Pat Heckard, 3906 S.E. 76 Terr. Alachua, Fla. 32615.

WANTED: New York State tokens - all types. ALSO N.Y.S. Dunn & Bradstreet & City directories, and anything depicting caves and the Alamo in Texas. Gary Pipher's Tokens-Exonumia, P.O.Box 217, Johnson City, New York 13790

NEED ALL TOKENS - Any Okla., Kans, Iowa, Mo. Will buy them 20.00 a box. Coins to trade for Tokens.
H. Kelso, Box 136, Miami, Oklahoma 74354

I HAVE Coal scrip to trade for encased Good Fors. If you prefer, I'll buy them. Dan Benice, 9441 Bethany Place, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20760

SELLING "Good For" tokens 60¢ ea. No transportation, tax, amusement, or OPA tokens. Mostly Texas, but will include your state when possible. Minimum order 10 tokens, Thanks.
Leo Warren, Box 30101, San Antonio, Texas 78285

I NEED over 700 1¢ pieces of coal company store scrip. Send for my want list. Postage returned with list.
Cole S. Cuttle, P.O. Box 7624, Hollins, Va. 24019

ANY NEW MEMBER SIGNED FOR NSCA BETWEEN JULY 1, 1979 AND DEC. 31, 1979 GETS THE REST OF THIS YEAR WITHOUT CHARGE... Thus, sign now and your dues are paid until Dec. 31, 1980....

EDKINS CATALOGUE AVAILABLE FOR $16.00 TO MEMBERS....
DODRILL CATALOG ONLY $5.00 WHILE LIMITED SUPPLY LASTS....

ORDER YOUR COPY TODAY FROM Secretary Walter Caldwell, Box 29, Fayetteville, W.Va. 25840

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Remember - NSCA now serves the mining and manufacturing field on company store tokens !! Have you asked your collector friends to join ??

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COLONEL CALDWELL'S MAIL AUCTION SALE NUMBER 57 .... CLOSING DATE: AUG - 3 1979

IN THE "SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY" COLLECTION, WE PRESENT A FEW LOTS OF VERY SPECIAL TOKENS BY DENOMINATION... THERE ARE SLEEPERS IN THESE SO DON'T MISS OUT... WE CANNOT LIST INDIVIDUALLY BUT WILL GIVE HIGHLIGHTS OF EACH LOT....

LOT NUMBER:

90. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Acme Limestone, Amigo Coal Co., Amigo Smokeless, D. w/ Anderson Cash Store, Beckley Fire Creek, Frye Coal Co., Brooke County Store Co., Borderland Collieries, etc. Pick the goodies and use the others for trading !! 2435

91. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Cambria Coal, Clear Creek, Carter Coal Co., Cranberry Fuel (2 diff), Detroit Mining, Dry Branch Coal Co., Elkhorn Piney, Erin Smokeless Coal Co., etc. 2610

92. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Fordson Coal Co., Imperial Smokeless, Hollywood Coal Co., Jacobs Fork, Johnson Supply Co., Kanawha & Hocking, Kingston Pocahontas, Kirk Mercantile, etc. 3110

93. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Koppers (3 diff), Leckie Stores, Stuart Colliery, C. H. Mead (3 diff) McAlpin Coal, etc. 2215

94. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Morris Smokeless, Nelson Fuel Co., N. R. & P. Stores (7 locations) A.M. Patterson, Pemberton Coal & Coke, etc. 2725

95. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Pond Creek Pocahontas, Rainelle Supply, E. C. Minter, Royal Coal, Semet Solvay (5 diff) etc. 2015

96. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Standard Fire Creek, Star Coal & Coke, Stuart Colliery, Weyanoke Coal & Coke, White Oak Fuel, Wyoming Coal Co. (3 diff), Y & O, etc.

97. 20 ALL DIFF 1¢ TOKENS - Cranberry Fuel Co., Caperton & Caperton, Detroit Mining, (3 diff), Elkhorn & Shelby Creek, Junior Mercantile, Sterling Smokeless, etc.

98. 20 ALL DIFF 5¢ TOKENS - S. C. BALLANGEE, BELLWOOD COAL CO., Boone Supply (2 diff), c. L. Bowling, Carbon Fuel, Cambria Coal Co., etc.

99. 20 ALL DIFF 5¢ TOKENS - Low Volatile, Conasauga Supply, Ely Thomas Lumber, Gulf Mining Co., Harlan Wallins, etc.

100. 20 ALL DIFF 5¢ TOKENS - NCO Mess Hickam AFB, Hill Anderson Coal, Dell Coal Company, Island Creek Stores, Lathrop Coal Co.,

101. 20 ALL DIFF 5¢ TOKENS - E. C. Minter No. 2, New Era Coal Co., A. M. Patterson & Son, Powhatan Coal & Coke, Puritan Coal Corporation, N. R. & P. Stores (27), etc.

[illegible] 20 ALL DIFF 5¢ TOKENS - Harlan Collieries Co., Leccony Smokeless, Lillybrook Coal Co., Long Flame Coal Co., Mead Tolliver Coal Co., etc.

103. 20 ALL DIFF 5¢ TOKENS - Rhodell Coal Co., Star Coal & Coke, Sipsey Valley Lumber, Patsy Small & Company, Tradewater Coal Co., Summit Coal Company, Pioneer Coal Co., etc.

104. 20 ALL DIFF 5¢ TOKENS - Alpe Cottage Southgate Ky., Clarmont Inn Cold Spring (incused), NCO Open Mess Marble Mountain, III MAF Danang Vietnam, 1st Marine Division Clubs, Dottyes Tavern Newport Ky., Geo Fenker, Dayton, Ky., P.S. Grand View Cafe, Red & Hazel, Belleville, Ill., etc.

Consignment LH109 - COAL TOKENS AT YOUR BID PRICE -- Better check each listing against your collection !!

105. AMHERST COAL COMPANY $5.00 br 04 '46 A cut
106. CHRISTIAN COLLIERY CO. Mahan W.Va. 5¢ br 02 C cut
107. GAULEY MOUNTAIN COAL COMPANY - 5¢ Ansted Z cut - $5. Jodie 04'48 Z cut - $5. Ansted 01 - (3 pcs)
108. GREENBRIER COUNTY (WV) 160th Anniversary - brass - pictoral medal - 1778-1938 - Mfg by Whithead- Hoag 3.00
109. KILSYTH STORE, Kilsyth WV - 1¢ br sld - unk mfg
110. N R & P Stores - 1¢ Leslie WV - 25 cut - 03
111. PAGE MINING CO. Page WV 10¢ br 04'39 and $1 br 04 '39
112. SEMET SOLVAY 1¢ Longacre 04 nd - 1¢ Tralee 04 '51
113. TRUAX TRAER COAL CO. 1¢ br sld MM2 & 5¢ wm Orco 2 bckwd 1
114. THURMOND SUPPLY CO. $1.00 brass - solid - ICS
115. VALLEY CAMP STORES COMPANY 1¢ alum Orco 4 - V cut

AND NOW, MORE FROM THE KENTUCKY COLLECTION THAT IS BEING SOLD AT NO MINIMUM BIDS.... CONSIGNMENT CRJ331 ....

116. CHILTON BLOCK COAL CO. Ethel WV 1,5,10¢ & 50¢ 02
117. CARTER COAL CO. Coalwood WV 1¢ wm 03 bowtie cut
118. COALBURG COLLIERY CORP Ronda (WV) 50¢ br sld ISC1
119. CAMBRIA COAL CO. (Briceville Tenn) 1¢ & 5¢ br solid
120. CABEL & KAUFFMAN Washington Ind. 5¢ & 10¢ alum sld unk mfg
121. CARTER BROS., Fayetteville WV 5¢ & 25¢ br sld unk mfg
122. CLEAN EAGLE COAL CO. Mallery WV 1¢ thru 50¢ (5 pcs) br sld
123. CLINCHMORE COAL MIN CO 5¢ thru 50¢ (4 pcs) br C cut
124. COLCORD COAL CO STORES Colcord & Stickney 1,5,10¢ sld ISC2
125. CABIN CREEK CONS Kayford WV 1¢ br bckwd 1 cut 03
126. COLLEGE DRUG STORE (Montgomery WV) 5¢ thru 50¢ (4 pcs) unk
127. CAMEO SPLINT COAL Cameo WV 5¢ thru 50¢ (4 pcs) 04 '45
[illegible] CHRISTIAN COLLIERY CO Mahan WV 1¢ br bckwd C cut Orco 3
129. DUNBAR O A & Sons Blakeley WV 50¢ brass sld unk mfg
130. DIERS BROS. IGA Store, Gresham Nebr 5¢ thru 50¢ alum sld
131. DIAMOND COAL MINING CO. 25¢ & 50¢ brass C cut
132. DIAMOND COAL MINING Petros Tenn 1,10,25,50¢ wm MM2
133. DAVIS LUMBER CO. Weston WV 10¢ sld nipl ISC1
134. DETROIT MINING CO. Gordon WV 1¢ red fiber Orco 3 mfg
135. DETROIT MINING CO. Gordon WV 1¢ brass bowtie cut 03
136. DUNBAR O A & Sons Blakeley WV 1,5,10,25¢ br sld unk mfg
137. FRANKLIN COAL MINING CO Powhatan Ala 25¢ wm 02
138. FRANKLIN COAL MINING CO. Powhatan Ala 10¢ br & 5¢ wm Orco 600
139. FERN COAL CO. 5¢ thru 50¢ brass v type cut Orco mfg 400

PRICES REALIZED

On tie bids, earliest postmark was used to award the lot !! On numbers not shown, no bids were received !! Many members post these prices so that they will have an idea of current trends on the various companies listed....

SALE NUMBER 56
CLOSED: June 22, 1979

LOT P/855.00 (This surpassed the total of the individual lot bids) 1/81.20 2/18.05 3/1.05 4/7.50 5/7.50 6/4.85 7/1.70 8/11.00 9/7.50 10/5.80 11/32.05 12/23.00 13/18.80 14/25.00 15/1.35 16/35.00 17/22.00 18/5.05 19/1.05 20/5.00 21/4.25 22/4.25 23/14.00 24/9.35 25/12.05 26/4.50 27/8.20 28/12.15 29/5.25 30/10.00 31/22.50 32/20.05 33/8.05 34/11.85 35/7.30 36/10.50 37/36.50 38/18.20 39/20.05 40/20.25 41/22.00 42/35.00 43/20.05 44/9.00 45/27.50 46/12.30 47/36.10 48/16.50 49/12.60 50/13.00 51/8.25 52/15.05 53/7.55 54/21.25 55/6.95 56/9.05 57/6.25 58/35.00 59/10.60 60/14.30 61/6.50 62/2.00 63/4.05 64/.75 65/10.15 66/7.15 67/22.45 68/2.05 69/5.05 70/4.00 71/5.25 72/3.35 74/6.00 75/.75 76/9.50 77/5.10 78/6.65 79/6.80 80/9.50 81/18.50 82/3.30 83/4.20 84/7.90 85/14.55 86/2.75 87/6.00 88/6.15 91/9.60 92/5.35 93/8.00 94/10.00 95/14.00 96/8.50 97/32.60 98/4.50 99/45.00 100/3.80 101/5.75 102/3.00 103/2.05 104/3.35 105/4.05 106/15.50 107/9.25 108/8.25 109/1.00 110/11.60 111/6.05 112/9.00 113/1.75 114/3.25 115/1.00 116/2.75 117/3.10 118/3.10 119/2.80 120/.50 121/2.95 122/3.15 123/7.25 124/1.25 125/5.95 126/4.90 127/3.00 128/8.85 129/7.75 130/14.60 131/11.00 132/2.00 End of Sale No. 56

THINGS TO REMEMBER: (1) Send in your Survey Form if you have not already done so - See the reverse of the Bid Sheet. (2) Make your reservations for the Fall 1979 meeting to be held at the Cumberland Gap, Tenn. Holiday Inn the first week-end in October. Call the Holiday Inn nearest you and they will make reservations on their direct wire. (3) Remember that the deadline for FREE ADS for next issue is TEN DAYS after you receive this issue. Do not mail to Fayetteville - mail direct to Fred Lange at address shown. (4) Within 10 days after you receive this issue, mail your Question and Answer items direct to Tom Hitt in Ohio - Do not mail to Fayetteville. (5) Mail your Bid Sheet on Sale Number 57 - In event of tie bids, the early postmark is awarded the lot. (6) Sign a new member for NSCA - See the blank in this issue. Only five new members (including ones signed back one year) gets you a FREE copy of the Edkins' scrip catalog. (7) Write on your Bid Sheet the lot number that you think will bring the highest price AND show your guess as to the amount. Show both to be eligible for the FREE sets of scrip. (8) Pay for your winning lots in the mail sale promptly - this will enable us to pay the consignors promptly !! (9) If you have a collection for sale, why not contact the bulletin editor. The better material will bring a good price and we are in the market to buy a GOOD collection - OR, we will take your collection on consignment.. (10) Order your copy of the Edkins' catalog at $16.00 AND/OR your copy of the Dodrill book listing 20,000 coal company stores at $5.00 while the supply lasts. (11) Write a few token notes for publication in SCRIP TALK. The best article published in the next year will win the Ancil Donohoe Trophy.

Mail Sale Number 57 features a host of good tokens from the gigantic "Something For Everybody" collection that has been in storage for ten years. Don't miss out on the opportunity to acquire tokens at your bid price !! Remember...they are not making coal scrip anymore and it is getting very difficult to locate new finds !! Ten years ago, you could get scads of scrip for a nickel... now, it takes 75¢ to get any piece... what about ten years from now ?? Watch and see !!

Prices Realized

SALE NO. 57 - CLOSED: August 3, 1979

Many record these prices on their copy of the last bulletin.. thus have a current trend on the prices of coal and other tokens !!

What with petrol being in the $1 per gallon range, an ideal time to stay home and work on your token collection !!

On tie bids, earliest postmark was awarded the lot! Others charge $1 or more for Prices Realized.. This is a FREE bonus for all SCRIP TALK readers...

I believe that this is the largest ever issue of SCRIP TALK. Postage will be rough on this issue, however, with your participation in the auction sale, the profits can be used for a bigger and better bulletin !!

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